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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CUTTING AND SHAPING RUBBER BAND MEMBERS

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\*a.  $\square$  attached hereto. b.  $\boxtimes$  filed on <u>January 30, 2002</u> as Application Serial No. <u>10/058,374</u>

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Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-26,471 filed on February 2, 2001

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